

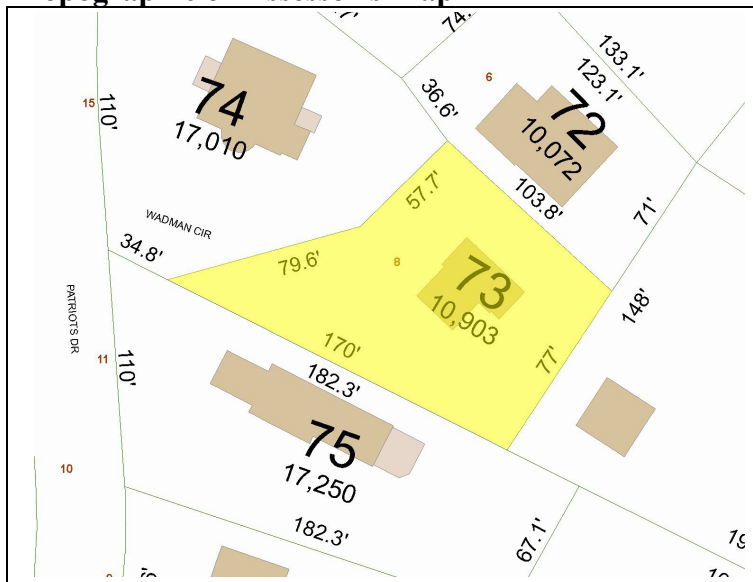
FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Photograph



Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

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Boston
North

1620

Town: Lexington

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)

Address: 8 Wadman Circle

Historic Name:

Uses: Present: residential

Original: residential?

Date of Construction: c.1860?

Source: visual inspection

Style/Form:

Architect/Builder: unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: concrete block

Wall/Trim: wood clapboards

Roof: asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:
none

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Condition: fair

Moved: no | | yes | ? | **Date** _____

Acreage: 0.25 acre

Setting: assortment of moved buildings on residential circle in early 20th century residential neighborhood

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

LEXINGTON

8 Wadman Circle

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____ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

Located on a small residential circle off Patriots Drive, 8 Wadman Circle is a modest 1 ½-story structure with an L-shaped plan. Its appearance vaguely suggests a 19th century construction date; its concrete block foundation is an indication that it was likely moved here from another site. The building is sheathed in wood clapboards. The north wall of the building undulates with differing wall surfaces suggesting the house may have been constructed in several sections. The broad gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles and has projecting eaves. Windows contain double-hung wooden sash in 2/2 and 2/1 configurations, arranged individually and in pairs. Many of the windows are flanked by board shutters. The area between the two projections is filled by a sunporch enclosed with multi-light windows.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Wadman Circle was laid out in 1925 on land which Wesley Wadman acquired from Hallie Blake in 1924. Blake was the owner of the former Hayes Estate (60 Meriam Street). Like its neighbor at 6 Wadman Circle, the house at 8 Wadman Circle appears to have been recycled and relocated from another site, probably the Hayes Estate. The 1925 plan of Wadman's land (Plan Book 366, Page 29) shows that the house at 8 Wadman Circle was already in place at that time.

The property was sold by Marion Stickney to J. Carter and Anita MacDonald in 1946 (Book 7076, Page 393). It was sold by Mrs. MacDonald to the present owners in 2002.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Lexington Directories, various dates.

Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Cambridge, Mass. 1925 – Plan Book 366, Page 29 (lot 4)

Sanborn Insurance Maps

U.S. Census, various years.

1906 map